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Mr. David S. Guzy, Chief Rules and Publications Staff Minerals Management Service Royalty Management Program P.O. Box 25165 Mail Stop 3021 Building 85 Denver Federal Center Denver, Colorado 80225-0165

Re:

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Minerals Management Service Proposal for Appeals of MMS Orders

64 FR 1930 (January 12, 1999)

Dear Ms. Holman;

Texaco Inc. ("Texaco"), on behalf of itself and its affiliate, Texaco Exploration and Production Inc., appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on the Minerals Management Service's Proposal for Appeals of MMS Orders, 64 Fed. Reg. 1930 (January 12, 1999). In addition to the comments filed on behalf of Texaco and others by Gardere & Wynne, Texaco references and adopts as its own the comments filed by the American Petroleum Institute on this proposal.

Yours very truly,

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